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How To Take Life.

"It's awful tiresome to be a girl," said a miss of thirteen summers, as she folded up her work and put it carefully away in her basket. "It is nothing but 'Don't do this' and 'Don't do that!' and 'Do this just so!' and 'Do that the other way!' from morning until night. I just get tired of living, indeed I do!" and two big tears fell upon her hands as silent punctuation marks in her conversation.

"My dear child," said her teacher, "did you ever read about the training of Victoria, Queen of Great Britain? She was likely to be a queen some day, and this her mother knew. The Duchess of Kent was one of the wisest of women, and from the time little Victoria was a tiny girl her entire training was to one purpose, that she might worthily rule a great nation. When she was old enough to understand about such things, her possible responsibilities were explained to her, and when she sighed and complained, as she sometimes did, it was only necessary to remind her that some day she might be queen, and how would an ignorant, careless queen manage the affairs of such an intelligent, cultured people.

"Now I do not suppose that you are likely to be a queen in any such sense as Victoria is, but you are, if you live, to be queen of a beautiful realm called home, and every day's lessons well learned will make you more and more fit for your responsibilities and duties. Life is a very earnest thing, a very solemn thing, if you look at it in its great depth and comprehensiveness. I don't mean that you should be solemn yourself, or feel called upon to go about burdened with the weight of the world's woes and sorrows. You know that the Bible says that 'A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.' Learn to be cheerful and bright and sunny. Be helpful and hopeful, good-natured and obliging. It makes good friends and keeps them and that is one of the most important things in life. Try to learn something useful every day and hour, even when you are amusing yourself. It comes easy after a while, as great ones. There is an old and very true saying that trifles make up the sum of life, and little things make or mar the harmony of every day affairs."—New York Ledger.

TIME AND DEATH.

Times makes its milestones by decay and makes its terminus by death.

Affliction begs for relief, but death sits grimly by and waits for pain to tread out life's glimmering spark.

Humanity lingers between the clutch of time and the chain of eternity. Hope points to rest within the veil, but life's tempests forbid the flight. Those who have sighed the most for rest have lingered longest in the struggle and they who heard the noise of angels wings, have passed the longest on the threshold

to tell us of the glory that is opened up beyond.

A TURN ABOUT.

The following amusing story is told by a man who attempted to play a practical joke, but was nonplussed in a very unexpected way. He says: "I am very particular about fastening the doors and windows of my house. I do not intend to leave them open at night as an invitation to burglars to enter. You see, I was robbed once in that way, and I never mean to be again; so when I go to bed I like to be sure that every door and window is securely fastened. Last winter my wife hired a big, strong country girl, and the newcomer was very careless about the doors at night. On two or three occasions I came downstairs to find a window up or the back door unlocked. I cautioned her, but it did no good. I therefore determined to frighten her. I got some false whiskers, and one night, about eleven o'clock, I crept down the backstairs to the kitchen where she was. She had turned down the gas and was in her chair by the fire sound asleep, as I could tell by her breathing; but the moment I struck a match she woke. I expected a great yelling and screaming, but nothing of the sort took place. She bounced out of her seat with a 'You villain!' on her lips, seized a chair by the back, and, before I had made a move, she hit me over the head, forcing me to my knees. I tried to get up, tried to explain who I was, but in vain. Before I could get out of the room she hit me again; and it was only after I had tumbled up the backstairs she gave the alarm. Then she came to my room, rapped at the door, and coolly announced: 'Mr. Dash, please get up! I've killed a burglar.'—Blade.

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LAND SALE.

Superior Court, Watauga County, James G. Rose vs. Thos. A. Hagaman and wife, James P. Hagaman and wife Sarah Hagaman, Commissioners.

As commissioner appointed by the court in the case of James G. Rose against Thos. A. Hagaman and wife Sarah, Jas. P. Hagaman and wife Nannie C. and Sarah Hagaman, widow of Thos. Hagaman, decd., I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Boone on the 1st day Jan. 1894, it being the first Monday in said month, the following valuable tracts of land lying and being in Watauga county. 1st tract lying on Watauga River adjoining the lands of A. B. Mast, Jacob Wagner and others, known as the Thomas A. Hagaman farm, the same containing 284 acres more or less. For the bonds of this land reference is hereby made to book of mortgages, pages 540-41-42 register's office Watauga county. Brushy Fork creek being lot No. 2, as allotted to J. P. Hagaman out of the real estate of Thomas Hagaman, ar. decd., as one of the heirs of said Hagaman, the same adjoining the lands of J. L. Hayes Z. Adams and others containing 75 acres more or less. 3rd tract lying on waters of Brushy Fork creek, being lot No. 1 as allotted to Sarah Hagaman out of the real estate of Thos. Hagaman, decd., as her part of his estate as his widow, the same adjoining the lands of Z. Adams, J. R. Hagaman and others and containing 75 acres more or less. For calls of the last two mentioned tracts of land reference is hereby made to book of mortgages pages 540-41-42 Register's office Watauga county. Sale of the aforesaid lands will be made to satisfy a judgment in favor of the plaintiff James G. Rose against the defendants Thos. A. Hagaman, J. P. Hagaman and others obtained at spring term of Superior court of Watauga county 1891 for the sum of \$4,000 as principal with interest on sum from 2nd day of April 1889 until paid, and cost of action. Said judgment subject to credits as follows: Jan 26th '92, \$625; April 28 '93, \$286.59, Oct. 23rd 1893, \$526.49. Title in fee simple will be made to the purchaser.

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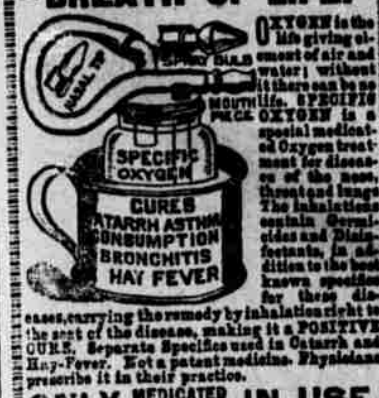
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